Joint Meeting of the IDEA Advisory Committee and the North Dakota Interagency Coordinating Council Thursday, September 11th Bismarck Comfort Inn – Meeting Room C and D 1000 E. Interstate Ave.

A block of rooms are being held for the evening of September 9th, 10th, and 11th at the Comfort Inn. The release date for the rooms is August 29th. You can call: 701-223-1911

AGENDA

8:30 a.m. Welcome and Introductions **CST** Family Story

March Minutes Review Overview of Agenda Members Updates and Issues

Transition at Age 3 – Discussion of Part B Eligibility Data Bob Rutten – ND DPI Director of Special Education

IDEA Advisory Panel and ICC members may want to review the state guidelines for transition services which can be found at:

http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/disabilities/earlyintervention/ stateguidelines/understanding-early-childhood-transitionquidelines.pdf

or

Family Liaison

http://www.dpi.state.nd.us/speced/early/guide.pdf

Pathfinder's Spring Conference – Update and advisory input on family and school personnel attendance; advisory input on suggested topics
Jim Carter/Holly Major – Pathfinder Parent Center Staff Roxane Romanick – North Dakota Early Intervention State

Promoting Parent Involvement: What Does It Take
Bob Rutten - ND DPI Director of Special Education
Deb Balsdon - ND Part C Coordinator

IDEA Advisory Panel members and ICC members were provided with information at the last joint meeting in June about both the Part B and Part C requirements for parent involvement. Due to a lack of time, we were unable to use the information to frame a discussion about recommendations for future direction of both the Part B and the Part C systems. Additional time is being allotted in this agenda for member discussion. Some questions are listed below that you might consider prior to the meeting:

- What are the state barriers to promoting parent involvement?
- Do we know which strategies are effective in promoting parent involvement? What does the research tell us? What does practical experience tell us?
- What do we need to do in our state to make decisions about effective strategies?
- What is happening across the country? Do we have pockets of "best practice" in our state?

12:01 p.m. **CST**

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